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Newsletter 45 – January 2018

In Newsletter 43, I mentioned that we had fixed a date for our 2018 summer outing, and that I would give you more detail in a subsequent Newsletter. This Newsletter provides that detail and [invites you to apply for tickets for this event](#).

A full day's visit to Historic Leicester - Tuesday, 5th June 2018

We'll leave by coach from outside the Memorial Hall at 9.00 and should arrive in Leicester at about 10.15 to 10.30. There, we'll be met by Peter Liddle, who was our speaker back in September 2016. He gave a great talk on Richard III, which covered both the Bosworth Battlefield Survey Field, and also the discovery and identification of Richard's remains in a municipal car park.

Richard III is our focus in the afternoon, but our morning with Peter Liddle will consist of a walking tour of other earlier nearby historic sights, including some or all of the following:- the Roman bath site (Jewry Wall), the Saxon church of St Nicholas, the site of the Roman forum, the Castle ruins and the medieval Guildhall.



St Nicholas's church & the Jewry Wall



Leicester Guildhall dating from the 14th century

The walk which is mostly on the level will last about 2 hours. We will then walk the short distance from the Guildhall to the Richard III Visitor Centre, where we'll have lunch together as a group in the King's Suite. This will be a two course meal, with a choice from three main courses, Baked salmon fillet, Beef & mushroom pie or Brie & courgette crumble. We'll need your choice of main course and any special dietary requirements when you book your place.

After lunch we'll split into two smaller groups to ensure ease of viewing. One group will be given a short introduction to the King Richard III Centre and will

then begin their self-led visit of the exhibition, for which 90 minutes has been allocated. This group will then move to the nearby Cathedral and have a thirty minute guided tour with time to re-visit areas of interest after the tour. The second group will do the afternoon visits in the reverse order.



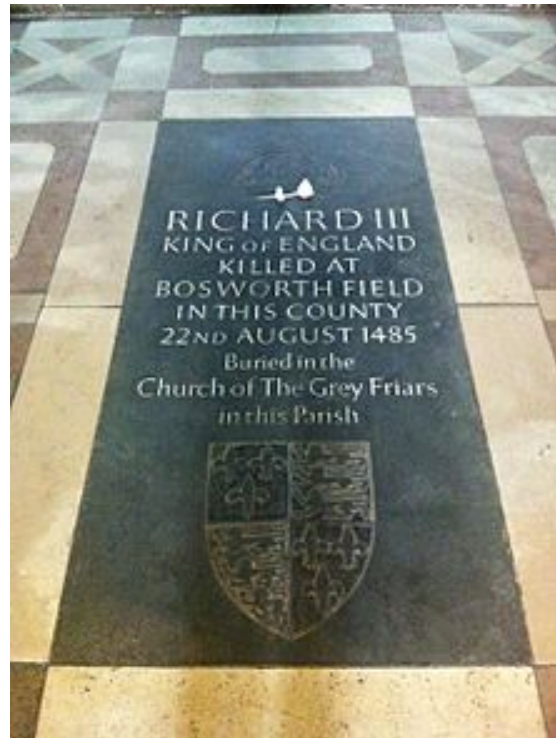
Car park where the King's remains were first found



Inside King Richard III Visitor Centre



A new statue of King Richard III near Cathedral



King Richard III tomb in Leicester Cathedral

We plan to leave Leicester at 16.00 and be back in Welford by about 17.30. The price per person for this visit is £35. This includes charges for the Richard III visitor centre and the cathedral, the two course lunch and coach transport. [Tickets are available now from me or any other committee member.](#) I know it's a long way off but you may want to book early to avoid disappointment.

Kind regards, Brad

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